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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the specialists have been invited from UK and USA to impart training to the officers of the Airports Authority of India to provide a foolproof security system at airport;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the lacunae found in the security system of Indian airports; and

(d) the other steps being considered to ensure foolproof security of airports?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) and (b): The Government of India has allowed the BritishGovernment to organise a Regional Aviation Security Course in New Delhi in March, 2002. Indian aviation experts were also included as resource persons. This course was attended by nominees from Sri Lanka, Nepal, Maldives and India. About 20 participants attended the course.
(c) and (d): The security arrangements at the airports are adequate, and no major shortcomings have been noticed. However, all concerned agencies have been sensitized to the need for maintaining utmost security. The existing instructions about access control, perimeter security, Quick Reaction Teams, pre-embarkation security checks, screening of registered baggage, handling of cargo, have been reiterated.